

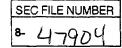
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Washington, D.C. 20549

ANNUAL AUDITED REPORT FORM X-17A-5(A) **PART III**

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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING	01/01/03 MM/DD/YY	AND ENDING	13/31/03
A. REGI	STRANT IDENTIFI	CATION	
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	(No. and Street)		
Williamsville	171		16991
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B. ACCO	UNTANT IDENTIF	CATION	
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*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I. Vvonne S. Pilichowski	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting scl	
John James Investments, LTD	. as
	correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has a	
classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:	, proposition and account
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This report ** contains (check all applicable boxes):	
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(b) Statement of Financial Condition.	
□ (c) Statement of Income (Loss).□ (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.	
(a) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprie	etors' Capital.
Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.	.4
(g) Computation of Net Capital.	15-2-2
(h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule (Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule)	
(j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of the Computation o	
Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhib	oit A of Rule 15c3-3.
(k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financ consolidation.	ial Condition with respect to methods of
(l) An Oath or Affirmation.	4
(n) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.	
(n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have	e existed since the date of the previous audit.

**For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

SCHEDULE I

JOHN JAMES INVESTMENTS, LTD. COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2003

NET CAPITAL TOTAL STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY	\$363,252
ADD: Deferred income taxes payable	17,371
TOTAL ALLOWABLE CAPITAL	380,623
NON ALLOWABLE ASSETS: Broker-dealer receivable Securities not readily marketable Furniture, equipment and property, net Loan receivable, not readily marketable 87 4,59 110,52	90 25
	197,273
NET CAPITAL BEFORE HAIRCUTS ON SECURITY POSITIONS	183,350
HAIRCUTS ON SECURITIES	20,100
NET CAPITAL	\$163,250 ======
RECONCILIATION WITH COMPANY'S COMPUTATION (Included in Part IIA of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 200	3)
NET CAPITAL AS REPORTED IN COMPANY'S PART IIA FOCUS REPORT	\$166,427
AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS: Deferred income taxes beginning balance Loan receivable, not readily marketable Prepaid income taxes Property and equipment, net Deferred income taxes, ending balance Accounts payable, accrued liabilities, expenses and other (2,20 (13,3) (2,20 (13,3) (13,3) (13,3) (14,3) (17,3) (17,3) (17,3) (17,3)	50) 44 70 71)
	(3,177)
NET CAPITAL	\$163,250

SCHEDULE II

JOHN JAMES INVESTMENTS, LTD. COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENT UNDER RULE 15c3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2003

	\$27,558 6.66%	MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIRED Total liabilities from Statement of Financial Condition Reserve ratio
	1,835	MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIRED
	5,000	MINIMUM DOLLAR REQUIREMENT
	\$5,000	NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT
\$158,250 ======		EXCESS NET CAPITAL
\$160,494 =======		EXCESS NET CAPITAL AT 1000%
\$27,558 =======		TOTAL AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS
16.88%		PERCENTAGE OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO NET CAPITAL
		RECONCILIATION WITH COMPANY'S COMPUTA (Included in Part IIA of Form X-17A-5 as of December
\$4,566	REPORT	TOTAL LIABILITIES AS REPORTED IN COMPANY'S PART IIA FOCUS
	2 6,072 266 1,481 15,171 0	AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS: Actual NYS payroll tax payable Reclass items in federal payroll taxes payable to proper accounts Reclass income tax penalty paid Reclass estimated tax prepayments to proper account Deferred income taxes not included in Company's computation Accounts payable, accrued liabilities, expenses and other
22,992		TOTAL AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS
\$27,558		TOTAL AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS

Aside from differences reported in above reconciliation of aggregate indebtedness, we found no other material differences existed pursuant to SEC rule 17a-5(d)(4).

Accounting Group

OF WESTERN NEW YORK, C.P.A., P.C.

Supplemental Statement Required Pursuant to SEC Rule 17a-5(j)

To the Board of Directors and Shareholder John James Investments, Ltd. Williamsville, New York

The SEC requires independent auditors to issue a report on internal control. To meet this requirement, a report should (a) express an opinion on the adequacy of the practices and procedures listed above in relation to the definition of a material inadequacy as stated in Rule 17a-5(g)(3) and (b) disclose material weaknesses in internal control (including procedures for safeguarding securities) that are revealed through auditing procedures designed and conducted for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

In planning and performing our audit of the consolidated financial statements and supplemental schedules of John James Investments, Ltd. (the Company) as of December 31, 2003 we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the consolidated financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

A <u>Report on Internal Control</u> was issued with the original financial statements.

If we become aware of a material inadequacy that was corrected during the period but not reported by management to the SEC and the broker-dealer's designated examining authority, management's failure to report the condition would constitute a material inadequacy that should be included in the auditor's report on internal control. According to SEC Rule 17a-5(j), the report on internal control should be filed along with the annual audit report, which it was.

Rule 17a-5(c)(2)(iii) provides that when the independent auditor has commented on a material inadequacy, the broker-dealer must include, in the statement of financial condition furnished to customers, a statement that a copy of such report is currently available at the principal office of the SEC and the SEC regional office for the region in which the broker-dealer has its principal place of business.

Pursuant to SEC Rule 17a-5(j) no material inadequacies were found to exist.

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May 12, 2004

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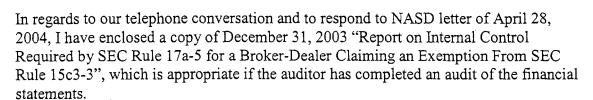
May 11, 2004

Mr. Michael Paulsen
Field Supervisor
NASD
New Jersey District Office
581 Main Street, 7th Floor
Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095

Re:

John James Investments, Ltd

Dear Mr. Paulsen:



If we become aware of a material inadequacy that was corrected during the period but not reported by management to the SEC and the broker-dealer's designated examining authority, management's failure to report the condition would constitute a material inadequacy that should be included in the auditor's report on internal control. According to SEC Rule 17a-5(j), the report on internal control should be filed along with the annual audit report, which it was.

Pursuant to SEC Rule 17a-5(j) no material inadequacies were found to exist.

We agree that Rule 17a-5(c)(2)(iii) provides that when the independent auditor has commented on a material inadequacy, the broker-dealer must include, in the statement of financial condition furnished to customers, a statement that a copy of such report is currently available at the principal office of the SEC and the SEC regional office for the region in which the broker-dealer has its principal place of business.

We were advised by previous NASD office that the "Report on Internal Control Required by SEC Rule 17a-5 for a Broker-Dealer Claiming an Exemption From SEC Rule 15c3-3", we submitted would satisfy the requirement under SEC Rule 17a-5(j) which requires a statement stating that no material inadequacies were found to exist.

Please advise if this does not fulfill that requirement.

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The letter of April 28, 2004 also requested a reconciliation of the audited computation and the broker-dealer's corresponding un-audited Part II or Part IIA, if material differences existed, or if no material differences existed, a statement so stating pursuant to SEC Rule 17a-5(d)(4).

We provided a reconciliation showing differences existed, as a supplemental document for informational purposes. The net difference amounted to (\$3,177), which in itself does not represent a material difference in our opinion.

In reviewing the Company's amended 2003 Focus Report, we found a difference of \$17,371 which represents deferred income taxes payable that were not added back in the Computation of Net Capital on the Focus Report. We believe that this is what caused generation of NASD deficiency letter. AICPA guidance suggests deferred income taxes payable is classified as allowable capital. Please advise if this is incorrect.

We respectfully request clarification of NASD deficiency letter as to what extra information is required before we send requested copies or amend Focus Report as it appears we supplied the proper information with our audited financial statements and the deficiency seems to be the omission of the \$17,371 on the final 2003 Focus Report.

Please call us at 716-675-2277 at your convenience to discuss as this matter can be taken care of ASAP with clarification from you. We would prefer to rectify this situation after discussing with you as that will enable us to send you the information exactly as you requested and not prolong the matter.

Thank you for your courtesy and cooperation with this matter.

Sincerely,

Scott J. Foti, CPA

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL 7002 2410 0000 6571 9569



April 28, 2004

Yvonne Pilchowski John James Investments, Ltd. 8463 Sheridan Drive Williamsville, NY 14221

Dear Ms. Pilchowski:

This acknowledges receipt of John James Investments, Ltd. December 31, 2003 annual filing of audited financial statements made pursuant to Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) Rule 17a-5(d). The report as submitted appears to contain the following deficiencies:

- A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanations, of the audited Computation and the broker-dealer's corresponding un-audited Part II or Part IIA, if material differences existed, or if no material differences existed, a statement so stating pursuant to SEC Rule 17a-5(d)(4);
- A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist, or if none existed, a statement so stating, pursuant to SEC Rule 17a-5(j).

Based on the above, your filing does not comply with the requirements of the Rule. The text of the Rule is reproduced in the *NASD Manual* under the section title *SEC Rules & Regulations T*. We urge you to review the Rule with your independent accountant.

Due to the apparent material differences in the firm's December 31, 2003 FOCUS filing submitted to the District 9 New Jersey Office vs. the December 31, 2003 independent audit of the Firm, the firm may need to submit an amended December 31, 2003 FOCUS filing to the District 9 New Jersey Office displaying the adjusted amounts.

Pursuant to the provisions of NASD Procedural Rule 8210, we request that you send one copy of each item(s) listed above to this office and to the appropriate SEC regional or district office, and two copies to the SEC Washington, DC office. Your submissions must include a new completed Form X-17A-5 Part III Facing Page, a copy of which is enclosed for your convenience.

Please respond to this matter by May 12, 2004. Questions may be addressed to Michael Paulsen, Field Supervisor, at (732) 596-2073.

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John James Investments, Ltd. CRD #37672

Sincerely,

David Chiu Staff Supervisor

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Enclosure: Form X-17A-5 Part III Facing Page/Oath or Affirmation

cc:

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Michael Paulsen; Field Supervisor, NASD